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MULTI-LAYER LAMINATE FOR

TUBES AND SIMILAR FOIL-

TYPE PACKAGING HAVING AN EMBEDDED BARRIER LAYER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. National Phase application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.